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Donald K. Jones et al )  
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TREATMENT OF VASCULAR )  
DISEASE )

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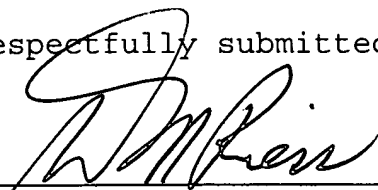
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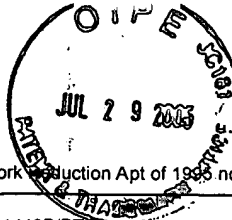
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